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# Job Description

Job Title: Senior Utility Analyst - Engineer - Office of Utility Consumer Counselor

 Job ID:
 598068

 Apply Before:
 09/11/2015

 Location:
 Marion County

Full/Part Time: Full-Time

Regular/Temporary: Regular Salary:

City/County/St: Indianapolis, Marion County, IN

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This Senior Utility Analyst serves as an Engineer to assist as an OUCC advocate for utility customers in matters before the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission ("IURC") by applying engineering and operations principles, practices, and standards in planning, overseeing, and performing reviews of utility infrastructure, capital improvement plans, asset management, preliminary engineering reports, designs and operational and maintenance ("O&M") practices of natural gas utilities.

OUCC staff engineers are required to analyze the utility's filing and write testimony regarding the reasonableness of: capital plans and cost recovery mechanisms for capital expenditures; construction budgets and system performance relative to rate base increases; and justification of tracker mechanisms and other proposals to fund utility plant replacement or new construction. This position reports directly to the Division Director.

# Responsibilities:

The position works as a professional for the Agency within the Natural Gas Division responsible for:

- Expected to serve primarily as a skilled technical witness in utility ratemaking, matters of public policy, and acceptable operational standards
- Develop expert technical opinions through research and analyses of all relevant utility applications, petitions, testimony, schedules, and exhibits
- Evaluate existing natural gas utilities' operations and related infrastructure for adequacy, reliability and regulatory compliance, including O&M practices to ensure ongoing, timely and cost-effective operations
- Analyze natural gas utilities' infrastructure improvement proposals for adequacy, cost reasonableness, risk and prudency
- Review the utilities' managerial and technical performance
- Gather information through written requests, onsite inspections, and other research methods, as necessary, to build case foundations, contribute to case development and strategy and develop conclusions
- Prepare high-quality, persuasive testimony and exhibits to support OUCC case positions and make recommendations

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- Consistently provide strong, credible, articulate oral testimony under cross-examination on behalf of the OUCC before the IURC
- Participate as a case team member on complex regulatory cases and contribute significantly in engineering, operations, and regulatory issues.
- Summarize and synthesize large amounts of data and testimony
- Analyze details, see long-term effects of multiple perspectives
- Serve as case team leader and manage the case team in meeting deadlines, producing a solid work product that ultimately will be filed before the IURC
- Work with multi-disciplinary teams that may include attorneys, economists, accountants, engineers and other specialists
- Assist other OUCC staff with projects while maintaining regular personal workload
- Anticipate problems and develop alternative solutions in advance of deadlines
- Serve as a resource for peers
- Represent the OUCC in industry meetings and investigations
- · Contribute to the achievement of overall Agency and Division goals
- · Learn and identify current utility regulatory practices and theories
- Engage in continuous personal and professional development
- Duties are performed with moderate supervision and require self-motivation, discipline, and initiative
- All other duties as assigned

#### **Preferred Experience:**

Bachelor's degree in engineering with a minimum of five (5) years industry experience. A Master's degree in Engineering and Professional Engineer certification is preferred.

- Ability to make objective and well-reasoned recommendations.
- · Superior written and oral communication skills.
- Ability to work under stressful situations including short timelines and occasional adversarial conditions such as cross-examination.
- Ability to make objective and well-reasoned recommendations.
- Ability to work both independently and in teams to meet deadlines and to produce work product in a well organized manner.
- Ability to understand detailed cost of service and rate design studies.
- Ability to summarize and communicate complex technical issues both verbally and in writing.
- Perform duties in a confidential and professional manner.
- Extensive computer skills in Microsoft Office products.

### **Additional Comments:**

Work usually performed in an office environment, however, occasional on-site field trips to utility production facilities will also be required.

# Benefits:

The State of Indiana offers a comprehensive benefit package which includes medical, dental, vision, life insurance, retirement plans and accrued leave.

## **Equal Employment Opportunity:**

The State of Indiana is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

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